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SUBJECT: GOS AND ERITREAN KIDNAPPERS

REF: KHARTOUM 3346

1. FULLY AGREE WITH REFTEL THAT THERE NO NEED TO WEIGH IN WITH
GOS AGAIN NOW. ACTION TOOK PLACE MANY MONTHS AGO.

2. SUDANESE CONSUL GENERAL ABDALLA ALI JABIR IS EXTREMELY CAPABLE
OFFICER, FORMER PERSONAL ASSISTANT TO PRES. NUMAYRI, VERY CLOSELY
TIED INTO HIGHEST GOVERNMENT CIRCLES, AND HAND PICKED FOR HIS
PRESENT JOB. THERE APPEARS BE LITTLE OF IMPORTANCE THAT TRANS-
PIRES IN KHARTOUM THAT HE DOES NOT HAVE FULL DETAILS ON FAIRLY
QUICKLY. I UNDERSTAND THAT ABDALLA SPECIFICALLY FOCUSSED ON THIS
QUESTION OF HALT TO KIDNAPPINGS LAST SPRING DURING VISIT TO KHARTOUM
AND HAD PLANNED DISCUSS MATTER WITH SENIOR SECURITY OFFICIALS
INVOLVED IN RELEASE NEGOTIATIONS.

3. ALTHOUGH ABDALLA'S CREDENTIALS ARE TOP NOTCH, HE IS QUITE
FRUSTRATED IN PRESENT POSITION. GOE AUTHORITIES HAVE FLATLY
REFUSED SO FAR TO DEAL WITH HIM ON ERITREAN MATTERS, PREFERRING
APPARENTLY TO GO DIRECTLY TO KHARTOUM.

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